
Lake County Schools is opening a new public school in the fall. Lake Success Academy, an alternative school destined for Howey-in-the-Hills, will provide a safe and highly structured learning environment for students. Want to know more? Here are the...

TOP 10 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE NEW



Lake Success Academy

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10. Vision - Lake Success Academy will prepare students for a successful future as socially responsible citizens who will succeed in post-secondary education and the work place.

9. Short-term placement - Students removed from a traditional educational setting for more than 10 days, but who have not been assigned to a Juvenile Justice facility, may be enrolled at Lake Success Academy for daytime classes Mondays through Fridays. Most will return to their home school within 45 days to a year after placement.

8. Small population - Lake Success Academy is designed to accommodate a maximum of 50 students, but we expect to open with 25 in fall 2019.

7. Transportation - We will provide door-to-door bus transportation for all students. No students will be allowed to walk, ride with parents or drive themselves to or from school.

6. Behavior - A hearing officer will recommend placement at Lake Success Academy, judging each case individually to determine what best meets the needs of the child. The School Board will make the final determination for students who commit zero-tolerance offenses. Some may be recommended for other facilities instead.

5. Restorative Practices - Students will learn how to restore relationships and social connections, focusing on personal responsibility and repairing harm.

4. Other supports - Individual and small-group counseling will be offered to all students as part of daily operations at Lake Success Academy. Students will learn how to recognize and manage stress and anger, and how to develop and maintain healthy friendships, among other strategies.

3. Security - Like all other Lake public schools, Lake Success Academy will have fencing surrounding its exterior with a single point of entry and a resource officer assigned to the campus.

2. Academics - We want our Lake Success Academy students to have every opportunity to excel academically while we help them modify their behavior. We will provide rigorous, standards-based instruction that is differentiated to meet the needs of diverse learners.

1. Our children - The students at Lake Success Academy will be our children, our neighbors, future workers in our communities. We want to make sure they have the strategies to be good citizens as we interact with them in and outside of school.

